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1 1. (Currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:
2 an originating mobile switching center that handles one or more calls;
3 wherein a serving mobile switching center for a communication device on a call
4 of the one or more calls passes control of the call to the originating mobile switching
5 center; and

6 wherein the originating mobile switching center triggers the call to a service node,
7 and wherein the service node sends an initial trigger response to the originating mobile
8 switching center that instructs the originating mobile switching center to redirect the call,
9 and wherein the initial trigger response arms one or more triggers that support one or
10 more services for the communication device; and

11 wherein the one or more triggers comprise one or more of one or more switch
12 based triggers and one or more subscriber based triggers exclusive of
13 Calling_Routing_Addresss_Available, OAnswer, and ODisconnect triggers; and

14 wherein the one or more subscriber based triggers comprise one or more of
15 Origination Attempt Authorized, Collected Information, and Analyzed Information
16 triggers; and

17 wherein upon receipt of the initial trigger response, the originating mobile
18 switching center encounters one or more of the one or more triggers and triggers the
19 call to one or more other service nodes.

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1 2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the serving mobile switching
2 center does not support the one or more triggers and the originating mobile switching
3 center supports the one or more triggers.

1 3. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the
2 communication device comprises a prepaid mobile communication device, wherein the
3 service node comprises a prepaid service node; and
4 wherein the prepaid service node supports billing for the prepaid mobile
5 communication device.

1 4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the originating mobile
2 switching center sends to the prepaid service node one or more service identifications
3 that are associated with one or more of the one or more other service nodes and
4 employable by the prepaid service node to calculate billing information based on use of
5 the one or more of the one or more other service nodes by the prepaid mobile
6 communication device.

1 5. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 3, wherein one or more of the
2 one or more other service nodes provide one or more of the one or more services to the
3 prepaid mobile communication device; and

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4 wherein the originating mobile switching center sends to the prepaid service
5 node one or more service identifications that are associated with the one or more of the
6 one or more services and employable by the prepaid service node to calculate billing
7 information based on receipt of the one or more of the one or more services by the
8 prepaid mobile communication device.

1 6. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the one or more
2 other service nodes comprise a directory assistance service node; and

3 wherein upon receipt of the initial trigger response, the originating mobile
4 switching center encounters a dialed digits trigger which triggers the call to the directory
5 assistance service node to provide directory assistance service to the prepaid mobile
6 communication device.

1 7. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the originating
2 mobile switching center creates a temporary connection between the prepaid mobile
3 communication device and the directory assistance service node for a duration of the
4 directory assistance service; and

5 wherein the originating mobile switching center removes the directory assistance
6 service node from a path of the call upon completion of the directory assistance service.

1 8. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, in combination with the
2 service node and the one or more other service nodes, wherein the communication
3 device comprises a prepaid mobile communication device; and

4 wherein one or more of the one or more other service nodes provide one or more
5 of the one or more services to the prepaid mobile communication device on the call; and

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6 wherein the one or more of the one or more other service nodes send one or
7 more service identifications to the originating mobile switching center to indicate use of
8 the one or more of the one or more other service nodes by the prepaid mobile
9 communication device.

1 9. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the service node
2 comprises a prepaid service node; and

3 wherein the originating mobile switching center sends the one or more service
4 identifications, one or more billing rates, and one or more call durations to the prepaid
5 service node for employment by the prepaid service node to calculate an amount to
6 deduct from an account balance associated with the prepaid mobile communication
7 device.

1 10. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the one or more
2 services comprise one or more triggered services; and

3 wherein the service node sends the initial trigger response to the originating
4 mobile switching center to arm the one or more triggers at the originating mobile
5 switching center so the originating mobile switching center is able to provide access to
6 the one or more triggered services.

1 11. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the one or more
2 triggers comprise one or more first switch based triggers, and wherein the originating
3 mobile switching center is pre-provisioned with one or more second switch based
4 triggers; and

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5 wherein the initial trigger response arms one or more subscriber based triggers
6 at the originating mobile switching center.

1 12. (Canceled)

1 13. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, in combination with the
2 service node, wherein the service node comprises a first service node, and wherein the
3 one or more other service nodes comprise a second service node, and wherein the first
4 service node receives destination digits for the call; and

5 wherein the first service node changes the destination digits into a digit string
6 associated with the second service node and sends the initial trigger response to the
7 originating mobile switching center.

1 14. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the initial trigger response
2 comprises a Specific_Called_Party_Digit_String Termination AnalyzedInformation
3 operation return result message, wherein the Specific_Called_Party_Digit_String
4 Termination AnalyzedInformation operation return result message comprises an
5 indication to arm the one or more triggers and a termination list set to redirect the call to
6 one or more of the one or more other service nodes.

1 15. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the service node
2 requests a list of the one or more triggers from a home location register; and

3 wherein the service node sends the list of the one or more triggers in the initial
4 trigger response to the originating mobile switching center.

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1 16. (Currently amended) A method, comprising the steps of:
2 receiving control of a call from a serving mobile switching center;
3 triggering the call to a service node that employs an initial trigger response to
4 arm one or more triggers, wherein the one or more triggers comprise one or more of
5 one or more switch based triggers and one or more subscriber based triggers exclusive
6 of Calling_Routing_Addresss_Available, OAnswer, and ODisconnect triggers, and
7 wherein the one or more subscriber based triggers comprise one or more of
8 Origination Attempt Authorized, Collected Information, and Analyzed Information
9 triggers;
10 encountering one or more of the one or more triggers associated with one or
11 more other service nodes; and
12 triggering the call to one or more of the one or more other service nodes upon
13 receipt of the initial trigger response.

1 17. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the initial trigger response
2 comprises an indication of one or more subscriber based triggers, the method further
3 comprising the step of:
4 arming the one or more subscriber based triggers for one or more services
5 indicated in the initial trigger response.

1 18. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the service node comprises a
2 prepaid service node, the method further comprising the step of:

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3 sending to the prepaid service node one or more service identifications that are
4 associated with one or more of the one or more other service nodes and employable by
5 the prepaid service node to calculate billing information based on use of the one or
6 more of the one or more other service nodes by a prepaid mobile communication
7 device.

1 19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the one or more
2 other service nodes comprises a directory assistance service node, and wherein the
3 step of encountering the one or more of the one or more triggers associated with the
4 one or more other service nodes comprises the step of:

5 encountering a dialed digits trigger with a destination of the directory assistance
6 service node upon receipt of the initial trigger response;

7 wherein the step of triggering the call to the one or more of the one or more other
8 service nodes upon receipt of the initial trigger response comprises the step of:

9 triggering the call to the directory assistance service node to provide directory
10 assistance service to the prepaid mobile communication device.

1 20. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein the step of triggering the call to
2 the directory assistance service node to provide directory assistance service to the
3 prepaid mobile communication device comprises the steps of:

4 creating a temporary connection between the prepaid mobile communication
5 device and the directory assistance service node for a duration of the directory
6 assistance service; and

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7 removing the directory assistance service node from a path of the call upon
8 completion of the directory assistance service.

1 21. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the step of encountering the
2 one or more of the one or more triggers associated with the one or more other service
3 nodes comprises the step of:

4 receiving an Specific_Called_Party_Digit_String Termination
5 AnalyzedInformation operation return result message that comprises an indication to
6 arm the one or more triggers and a termination list set to redirect the call to one or more
7 of the one or more other service nodes to provide one or more services to a
8 communication device.

1 22. (Currently amended) An article, comprising:

2 one or more computer-readable signal-bearing media;

3 means in the one or more media for receiving control of a call from a serving
4 mobile switching center;

5 means in the one or more media for triggering the call to a service node that
6 employs an initial trigger response to arm one or more triggers, wherein the one or more
7 triggers comprise one or more of one or more switch based triggers and one or more
8 subscriber based triggers exclusive of Calling_Routing_Addresss_Available, OAnswer,
9 and ODisconnect triggers, and wherein the one or more subscriber based triggers
10 comprise one or more of Origination Attempt Authorized, Collected Information, and
11 Analyzed Information triggers;

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means in the one or more media for encountering one or more of the one or more triggers associated with one or more other service nodes; and

means in the one or more media for triggering the call to one or more of the one or more other service nodes upon receipt of the initial trigger response.

23. (New) An apparatus, comprising:

an originating mobile switching center that handles one or more calls;

wherein a serving mobile switching center for a communication device on a call of the one or more calls passes control of the call to the originating mobile switching center; and

wherein the originating mobile switching center triggers the call to a service node, and wherein the service node sends an initial trigger response to the originating mobile switching center that instructs the originating mobile switching center to redirect the call, and wherein the initial trigger response arms one or more triggers that support one or more services for the communication device; and

wherein the one or more triggers comprise one or more of Calling_Routing_Addresss_Available, OAnswer, and ODisconnect triggers; and

wherein upon receipt of the initial trigger response, the originating mobile switching center encounters one or more of the one or more triggers and triggers the call to one or more other service nodes.